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A Year of Great Prosperity

Columbus and Lower Mimbres Valley Makes Great Strides

Nineteen hundred and eleven has been a year of unprecedented prosperity in the lower Mimbres valley. A little more than two years ago Columbus was hot, and the country surrounding was but a great sprawl of desert waste. To the north came one of the most rapidly growing towns in the southwest, surrounded by a country that is fast being turned into a veritable farmer's paradise.

While the people of the North and East are now being enveloped in a coat of record snow, the citizens of this valley still enjoy the warm sun of "Old Sol." Crops are still growing and the farmers are making preparations for bigger farming next year.

Everything planted this year, and well or nurtured by the dry farming process or the pumping plant, has brought forth abundant yield. Numerous pumping plants have been installed, many farms have been carved out from the barren spruce, model homes have been raised, greater stretches of government land converted into agricultural lands, and the prospects for the future are indeed scarcely to be met by the gloom.

Never a day goes by and we do not see in the daily papers news concerning upon the success in quest of mineral oil gas, diamonds and gold. This is not unique, however, since the United States Treasury, it is known, Uncle Sam's department has been entered during the past six months and great progress is being made by the end of next year for its improvement. The coming year

Columbus is enjoying a most steady development. It has not the east schismata of "Oasis." It is keeping pace with the growth of the surrounding territory. In fact, it is the marvelous development of the surrounding country that is making the lower what it is today. Everyone is optimistic. The business men are unit as to the future prosperity. All citizens have an abounding faith in the "propostion." The business men are confident. Besides, there are burying their hammers, and scarcely a day passes but some one is canonizing around town for the graves are being left un-

buried. Let the spirit of fair dealing prevail, let the system of competition be upheld, and success, as in sage, prophet or mind, is sufficient enough to see into the future another twelve months and begin to talk of two more scores that will be added to Columbus and the lower Mimbres valley.

A telephone line built north from Columbus through the Sunnyside neighborhood, thence northwest through the Gavilan country, thence west to Tular, north to Hondo and on into Deming, would be a money maker from the jump. The wonder is, that

Columbus Real Estate Changes Hands

Records for the Last Week at the County Seat

Fannie E. Baker to C. W. Keen, lot 7 block 21 original townsite of Columbus, consideration \$125.

Hellberg & Blair to Violetta Ross West, lots 11 and 12 in block 11, original townsite of Columbus, consideration \$50.

G. H. Rice to Am. E. Komjat, lots 1 to 12 inclusive, block 9, Rice addition, to town of Columbus, consideration \$120.

Catherine Soamen to Fred H. Pennington, lot 3 block 21 orig-

inal townsite of Columbus.

Katherine Seaman to John Dutton, lot 4 in block 21, original townsite of Columbus.

C. L. Higdon to Katherine Seaman, lots 3 and 4 in block 21, original townsite of Columbus, consideration \$100.

C. L. Higdon to Orta May Young, lot 9, block 18, original townsite of Columbus, consideration \$50.

Hellberg and Blair to B. F. Young, lot 1, block 59, townsite of Columbus, also, lots 7 to 11 inclusive in block 6, townsite of Columbus, consideration \$170.

Hellberg and Blair to Orta Young, lots 11 and 12, block 8, townsite of Columbus, consideration \$90.

Another New Well

This week the Coleman brothers brought in another new well which bears prospects of being one of the best in the valley. It was dug on Geo. Coleman's place about seven miles north of Columbus. The well was dug six feet square and water was struck at 28 feet, which came in so rapidly that work had to be abandoned. Within two minutes after the well was struck there was three feet of water in the well. They expect to now put a well machine into the hole and go deeper for irrigation purposes.

New Enterprise

P. G. Moseley, the general post master and townsite addition man has installed in the post office building a fine line of up-to-date shoes and goods furnishing goods.

This new line fills a long felt want among the business men of Columbus, and we beseech Mr. Moseley a good patronage in his new enterprise.

C. Clements, who has a descent tract just west of town, is here this week for the purpose of putting down a well on his land. Mr. Clements says he sees great improvements in Columbus and having visions of the future.

Miss Burch Blair was the recipient of the quiet disposal of by the ladies Thanksgiving night. Miss Blair is one of Columbus' favorite young ladies and the community congratulates her upon her good fortune.

Take the Courier for news.

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Mimbres Valley Products Exhibited at Luna County Fair, 1911.